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Greetings!

Its that wonderful time of the year again! The holiday season brings friends and family together, and is a time of remembering the past and looking forward to the future. As a new year approaches, changes are occurring at the Council Office as well. Read on about the latest Howard County happenings. I look forward to the next 4 years with you!

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Upcoming Council Meetings

Legislative Public Hearing
December 15 at 7:30 p.m.

Legislative Work Session
(if needed)
December 22 at 4:30 p.m.

Legislative Pre-file due
December 23 at 2:00 p.m.

Legislative Session
January 5 at 7:30 p.m.

Monthly Meeting
January 12 at 8:30 a.m.

Howard County Installation



On December 1, elected officials, supporters and family members watched the Swearing-In Ceremony of new County Executive Alan Kittleman at Glenelg High School. Members of the County Council, four of whom are returning for a third and final term, also took their oaths in the invitation-only ceremony.

Jon Weinstein, a Democrat, is the only new face this term. He replaces Courtney Watson, a Democrat who represented Ellicott City, Elkrigde and Hanover in District 1 before being defeated by Kittleman in the tight race for county executive.

After being sworn in, the new council held its first legislative session, where councilmembers introduced several pieces of legislation left over from Ulman's administration.

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Public Notice Hearing on Local Bill Legislation

The Howard County Delegation of the Maryland General Assembly, chaired by Delegate Frank Turner and Senator James Robey, will hold a public hearing for citizen input on local bills being considered by the legislature during the upcoming legislative session. The hearing is scheduled as follows:

Thursday, December 18th, 2014 – 7:30 p.m.
Banneker Room, George Howard Building
3430 Courthouse Drive, Ellicott City, MD

The 2015 legislative session will begin on January 14, 2015

Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Environmental Education Center Renovation and Expansion (By: Howard County Senators)

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Conservancy, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Harriet Tubman Center (By: Delegate F. Turner)

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Howard County Department

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Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Community Action Council Food Bank Facility (By: Delegate Guzzone)

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Community Action Council of Howard County, Maryland, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Howard County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Event – Education Permits (By: Delegate W. Miller)

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Howard County Board of License Commissioners to issue a special event – education beer and wine tasting alcoholic beverages permit and a special event – education beer, wine, and liquor tasting alcoholic beverages permit; specifying that a special event – education alcoholic beverages permit authorized under this Act may be issued to a holder of a certain alcoholic beverages license; specifying that a holder of a special event – education alcoholic beverages permit authorized under this Act may provide from the holder's inventory certain alcoholic beverages to a consumer who has preregistered for a certain event, subject to certain

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limitations; specifying a permit fee; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Howard County.

Howard County – Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board – Compensation (By: Delegate Guzzone)

FOR the purpose of providing that the compensation for the Howard County Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board shall be the amount set by the Howard County Council; and generally relating to the compensation for the Howard County Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board.

Howard County – Casino Events – Authorized (By: Delegate W. Miller)

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain organizations to hold certain casino events in Howard County at certain intervals of time; requiring an organization to obtain a permit from the Howard County Department of Inspections, Licenses, and Permits before operating a casino event; requiring the Howard County Executive to forward a recommendation to the Howard County Council concerning the fee to be charged for a permit; requiring the County Council to adopt by resolution the amount of the permit fee; specifying the types of organizations eligible to conduct a casino event; requiring a permit holder for a casino event to ensure that certain standards are met; prohibiting a permit holder from offering cumulative prizes in excess of a certain amount; specifying certain prohibited acts and reporting requirements for a permit holder for a casino event; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations governing casino events; altering in Howard County the application of certain general provisions of law governing gaming in the State; establishing certain exceptions to prohibitions against conducting a casino event or operating or awarding prizes using certain gaming devices; defining a certain term; and generally relating to casino events

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Howard County – Insurance – Certificates of Guarantee for County Bond Requirements (By: Delegate Guzzone)

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Howard County to honor certificates of guarantee that are issued by certain associations or their wholly owned subsidiaries on behalf of certain contractors for the purpose of satisfying certain county bond requirements; providing that Howard County is not required under certain provisions of law to honor certain certificates of guarantee; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to Howard County and certificates of guarantee.

Sign-up sheets will be available outside of the Banneker room at 7:00pm on the evening of the hearing. Oral testimony will be limited to three minutes.

For further information, contact Dan Furman at the Howard County Delegation office at 410-841-3360 or hoc1@mlis.state.md.us.

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Howard County to Host Meeting on Human Service Grant Application Process

ELLICOTT CITY, MD – The Howard County Department of Citizen Services will hold a pre-submission meeting on Thursday, December 11, for non-profit organizations interested in applying for Community Service Partnership (CSP) grants for FY2016. The meeting will be held in Room 401 of the Gateway Building, 6751 Columbia Gateway Drive in Columbia from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.



CSP grants support the delivery of essential human services in Howard County. Funding priority is given to services that meet basic needs and provide opportunities to become self-sufficient. CSP funds may be used for agency operating expenses, program costs or direct client assistance. To be eligible, an agency must be a 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) non-profit and serve the residents of Howard County.



Beginning, Tuesday, December 9, grant applications will be available on-line at

www.howardcountymd.gov/CitizenServices.

Applications are due Saturday, January 31, 2015. For more information, contact CSP Grants Manager Kristin Weschler at 410-313-5996 or

kweschler@howardcountymd.gov.

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County Executive Kittleman's 1st FY16 Citizens' Budget Hearing Scheduled for December 17th

ELLCOTT CITY, MD – County Executive Allan Kittleman will hold his first Citizens' Budget Hearing for the FY2016 budget cycle on Wednesday, December 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive in Ellicott City.



Beginning on Wednesday, December 3, residents can sign up ON LINE to speak at the hearing by going to www.howardcountymd.gov/budgettestimony.htm. From the same link, residents will also have the option to provide on-line budget testimony; however, residents are reminded that internet testimony is considered public information and, as such, is subject to the Maryland Public Information Act.

Residents who do not wish to sign-up on line will still be able to sign-up in person on the night of the public hearing beginning at 6:00 p.m. Speakers must sign up individually, and one person may not sign up for several testifiers.

If requested seven days prior to the Citizen's Budget Hearing, an interpreter for people who are deaf or hard of hearing will be available. Call the Department of Citizen Services at 410-313-6400 (voice) or use Relay (7-1-1) between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. If you need additional accommodations to attend the Hearing or for more information, contact the Budget Office at 410-313-2077.

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Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission “Living the Dream” Award 2014-2015 Nomination Form



The Howard County Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission is seeking **nominations** for the Commission's 2014-15 "Living the Dream" Award. This annual award recognizes both **an individual and an organization** (community, civic or religious) for promoting the teachings and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. through community involvement. The award will be presented at the Commission's 30th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration on Sunday, January 18, 2015, at Howard Community College's Smith Theatre. The theme of this year's Celebration is Dr. King's statement, "The Fierce Urgency of Now."

Award Criteria for both Individual and Organizational Nominations:

Nominees may live or work in Howard County, but their volunteer services *must* be performed in Howard County. Nominees must demonstrate the life, work, teachings and legacy of Dr. King by promoting community involvement among all ethnic groups, regardless of social, economic or religious background, and be committed to non-violence and humanitarian services.

You may submit more than one nomination, but each nomination must be submitted separately. For each nomination, describe in 500-words-or-less why this individual or organization deserves to win the 2014-15 "Living the Dream" Award by answering the following questions in your narrative:

1. Describe the type of community participation and the nominee's involvement in it.
2. What impact has the nominee had on the community?
3. Describe the nominee's achievements and significant contributions.

We encourage you to include additional documentation, such as newspaper clippings, articles and other supporting information. The winner will be notified and name posted by Friday, December 12, 2014 on the Howard County Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission webpage at www.howardcountymd.gov/mlkholidaycommission.htm. The winners each will receive a \$300 cash prize. For questions, contact Mary Toth at the Office at the Office of Human Rights at 410-313-6467 or mtoth@howardcountymd.gov.

Deadline: Nomination forms and all required information must be postmarked, hand-delivered, faxed or emailed by 5:00 p.m. Friday, November 14, 2014 to: Howard County Office of Human Rights, Attn: MLK 2014-15 "Living the Dream" Award, 6751 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 239, Columbia, MD 21046. Fax # 410-313-6468 or email: SubmissionsMLK@howardcountymd.gov.

Please detach section below and attach to your nomination submission/narrative.



Nomination Information:

Name of Nominee:

Address:

Phone #:

Email:

Nominator:

Address:

Phone #:

Email:

Signature :



5th Annual Howard County Bicycling Forum

WHEN: Wednesday October 29, 2014 6:30-9pm
6:30pm - Meet, Greet, Sign-In (light refreshments)
7:00-9:00pm - Presentations/Discussion

WHO: Bicycling Advocates of Howard County (BAHC), the new Howard County Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator Chris Eatough, and other representatives of Howard County Government.

WHERE: The Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory,
Building 1, Parsons Auditorium
11000 Johns Hopkins Road, Laurel, MD 20723

AGENDA:

Introductions – Jack Guarneri, President BAHC

Acknowledge Captain (retired) John McKissick, former HCPD Bicycle Liaison)

Speaker - Chris Eatough, HC Transportation Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, who will review issues relating to improving bicycling safety and accessibility in our community.

Additional Agenda Items:

- Status Bicycle Master Plan/Execution Plan (including Grants)
- Report road conditions/damage: Tell HoCo app
- Reporting Incidents to Police: Captain Yetter, HCPD
- Status Report Ongoing studies: Bike Share and Bridge Columbia
- Question and Answer Session

PRE-REGISTRATION ONLINE:

Event organizers would love to know if you are coming.

Pre-register at <http://5thbahcbikeforum.eventbrite.com>.

Upcoming Events



4th Annual Feminine Hygiene Products Drive

October 1-31, 2014 sponsored by Howard County Food Bank and Grassroots. For information on how to donate [click here](#).

Early Voting Begins

October 23-30, 2014 from 10 AM to 8 PM each day. Have questions? Contact the Board of Elections at 410-313-5820 or [click here](#).

Halloween Happenings

October 24, 2014 from 5 PM to 7 PM in the Kings Contrivance Village Center. Daisy the Clown, trick-or-treating, and a haunted house. For more information [click here](#).

Affordable Care Act Open Enrollment

Begins November 15, 2014. For more information [click here](#).

New Traffic Signal Coming to Guilford Road

A Howard County construction project to improve an area of Guilford Road in the vicinity of Vollmerhausen Road in Jessup is expected to begin soon weather permitting. The project is expected to be completed by Fall 2015. For questions about Capital Project J-4214, contact Lisa Brightwell, Public Works Customer Service, at (410) 313-3440, or by email at PublicWorks@HowardCountyMD.gov. For more information [click here](#).

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